

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FINANCIAL PREDATORS OF THE ELDERLY

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine financial crimes targeting the elderly, focusing on the nature, scope, and effect these crimes have on seniors, and to raise awareness of financial exploitation of the elderly, after receiving

testimony from Delaware Attorney General Jane Brady, Wilmington; Bradley R. Graham, Tacoma Police Department, Tacoma, Washington; Chayo Reyes, Cerritos, California, on behalf of the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse; Gertrude Gingerich, Hartly, Delaware; William Blevins, Manassas, Virginia; and Justin Ray White, an incarcerated witness. Testimony was also received via live video teleconference from Carl F. Fiosche, Tacoma, Washington.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4770–4778; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 406, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on May 16: H.R. 3929, to provide for the establishment of a cooperative Federal research, development, and demonstration program to ensure the integrity of pipeline facilities, amended (H. Rept. 107–475, Pt. 1);

H.R. 1448, to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa, amended (H. Rept. 107–417, Pt. 2);

H.R. 4015, to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise and improve employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans, amended (H. Rept. 107–476);

H.R. 3375, to provide compensation for the United States citizens who were victims of the bombings of United States embassies in East Africa on August 7, 1998, on the same basis as compensation is provided to victims of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes on September 11, 2001 (H. Rept. 107–477);

H.R. 3180, to consent to certain amendments to the New Hampshire-Vermont Interstate School Compact (H. Rept. 107–478);

H.R. 2068, to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to public buildings, property, and works, as title 40, United States Code, “Public Buildings, Property, and Works”, amended (H. Rept. 107–479); and

H.R. 4775, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107–480).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Bereuter to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

VA Emergency Medical Preparedness Centers: H.R. 3253, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of emergency medical preparedness centers in the Department of Veterans Affairs;

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Robert J. Dole Department of Veterans Affairs Center, Wichita, Kansas: H.R. 4608, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Wichita, Kansas, as the “Robert J. Dole Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center.” Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “A bill to name the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Regional Office Center in Wichita, Kansas, as the ‘Robert J. Dole Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Regional Office Center’.”;

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AMVETS National Charter Day: H. Con. Res. 314, recognizing the members of AMVETS for their service to the Nation and supporting the goal of AMVETS National Charter Day (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 360 yeas with none voting nay, Roll No. 171);

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Fibroid Tumor Research: H. Con. Res. 165, expressing the sense of the Congress that continual research and education into the cause and cure for fibroid cancer be addressed. Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that continual research and education into the cause and cure for fibroid tumors be addressed” (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of

363 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 172); and
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Early Detection of Cervical Cancer: H. Con. Res. 309, recognizing the importance of good cervical health and of detecting cervical cancer during its earliest stages (agreed to by a yeas and nay vote of 361 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 173).
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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following motions to suspend the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Tuesday, May 21.
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Veterans’ Major Medical Facilities Construction: H.R. 4514, amended, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out construction projects for the purpose of improving, renovating, and updating patient care facilities at Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers;
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Jobs for Veterans Act: H.R. 4015, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise and improve employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans; and
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Veterans’ Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment: H.R. 4085, amended, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2002, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans.
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Presidential Messages: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the 2002 Comprehensive Report on U.S. Trade and Investment Policy toward Sub-Saharan Africa and Implementation of the African Growth and Opportunity Act—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 107–216).
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Recess: The House recessed at 3:45 p.m. and reconvened at 6:31 p.m.
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Late Report—Committee on Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a privileged report, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.
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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H2609.

Referral: S. Con. Res. 112 was held at the desk.
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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2634–35, H2635–36, and H2636. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of May 16, 2002, p. D502)

H.R. 495, to designate the Federal building located in Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, as the “Ron de Lugo Federal Building”. Signed on May 17, 2002. (Public Law 107–175)

H.R. 819, to designate the Federal building located at 143 West Liberty Street, Medina, Ohio, as the “Donald J. Pease Federal Building”. Signed on May 17, 2002. (Public Law 107–176)

H.R. 3093, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 501 Bell Street in Alton, Illinois, as the “William L. Beatty Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. Signed on May 17, 2002. (Public Law 107–177)

H.R. 3282, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 400 North Main Street in Butte, Montana, as the “Mike Mansfield Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. Signed on May 17, 2002. (Public Law 107–178)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine management improvement of Department of Defense Test and Evaluation Facilities, 9:30 a.m., SR–232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nomination of Anthony Lowe, of Washington, to be Federal Insurance Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, time to be announced, S–216 Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Aviation Transportation Security Act, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine U.S./Cuban trade policy, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.